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Functioning of NGOs

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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government conducts inspection of Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) working for the welfare of SCs, OBCs and vulnerable sections of the society;
- (b) if so, the details of such inspections conducted during each of the last three years and the current year along with the findings and outcome thereof;
- (c) the details of NGOs suspended/ blacklisted along with the reasons therefor, NGO and State-wise;
- (d) whether the Government has taken steps to recover the grants disbursed to such NGOs, if so, the details thereof and the amount recovered so far, NGO and State-wise; and
- (e) the steps being taken to ensure proper functioning of NGOs in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
(SHRI VIJAY SAMPLA)

(a): Yes, Madam. The Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment conducts inspections of NGOs assisted by the Ministry and working under various welfare schemes from time to time through State Governments and by officials from the Ministry.

(b) : The following inspections in respect of the Schemes of the Ministry were conducted during:

Year Number of Inspections

2013-14 75

2014-15 933

2015-16 56

Total 1064

In most of the cases the working of the NGOs was found to be satisfactory. However, there were some cases where due to the violation of the guidelines of the schemes and shortcomings/irregularities etc. the NGOs were given Show Cause Notice and further Grants-in-Aid were stopped/suspended.

(c) & (d) : The details are given in Annexure.

(e) : To ensure proper functioning of NGOs and utilization of funds the steps taken are:

(i) Fresh/subsequent release of grants to implementing agencies during a year are made only on receipt of Utilization Certificates in respect of previous year's grants, which have become due.

(ii) The Schemes/programmes implemented through NGOs are also expected to be monitored by respective State Governments/UT Administrations.

(iii) The Ministry also sponsors evaluation studies from time to time through independent evaluation agencies, inter alia, to check proper utilization of funds by the implementing agencies for which it is sanctioned.

(iv) The Government has developed centralized on-line application software with the assistance of National Informatics Centre (NIC) on the website of the Ministry www.ngograntsje.gov.in . All applications by NGOs seeking Grant-in-aid (GIA) under the schemes of the Ministry are being invited through on-line process in the website to monitor the applications with effect from 1.4.2014 onwards.

(v) Inspections of NGOs by officers of the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.